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The EU Green Week 2016 kicks off in Ljubljana today, this year's European Green Capital. Here are five projects – funded through Horizon 2020 – which help European cities invest in a greener future.

CLAiR-CITY – Largest ever citizen-led air quality project in Europe

A brand new €6.7 million project involving six cities and thousands of citizens across the continent: Residents will be invited to share their ideas on how to reduce air pollution in their home cities by using a game on their smartphones, tablets and laptops. The six pilot cities are Bristol, in the UK; Amsterdam, in the Netherlands; Aveiro, in Portugal; Ljubljana, in Slovenia; Sosnowiec, in Poland; and the Liguria region in Italy. [Read more](#) [2]

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BINGO - Improving climate predictions for the water sector

Climate change is modifying the water cycle and we need to prepare for the consequences. BINGO will study how cities like Bergen, in Norway, or Badalona, in Spain, are affected by an increased risk of floods and droughts. The project will then come up with tailored climate forecasts for water utilities helping them to better cope with the effects of climate change. [Read more](#) [5]

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BlueSCities – Blueprints for Smart Cities

Integrating water and waste into the smart city approach: Four cities – Athens, Genoa, Helsinki and Istanbul – are the case studies for developing a Pan-European Atlas on Water Management and a self-assessment tool, which will enable cities to implement smart solutions, notably for their water and waste management. [Read more](#) [7]

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FosterREG – Regenerating cities with sustainable energy

For cities to become more energy efficient and implement sustainable energy measures, public authorities at all levels need to work together. FosterREG is running trainings and setting up working groups in Croatia, the Netherlands, Poland and Spain to help cities plan, finance and manage energy efficiency measures within urban regeneration plans. [Read more](#) [9]

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And by the way, you can meet them on 15 June at the [EU Sustainable Energy Week](#) [11] in Brussels. Join their session [Knowledge smorgasbord for renewable energy solutions in urban areas](#) [12].

RESIN – Climate-resilient cities and Infrastructures

How can European cities better cope with climate change? As part of the RESIN project, four cities – Bilbao, Bratislava, Manchester and Paris – will serve as field labs for designing standardised tools that European cities can use to develop local adaptation strategies. [Read more](#) [13]

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